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DUES LOWERED!

At its meeting on August 11, 1978, the Executive Board, after considering the Chapter's history of income and expenditure, decided the following: dues will be reduced immediately, effective this membership year (1978-79), to \$4.00 per year for regular members, and \$2.50 per year for students. (Students must be registered at a recognized college or university, and there will be a maximum of four years during which a member may belong at student rates.)

Henceforth, there will be two registration fees at meetings: one for members, and a somewhat higher one for non-members. It will be the Chapter's policy to set registration fees at a level that will cover the cost of holding each meeting.

Members who have already paid their dues for the current year at the old rate may receive a refund of the difference by writing to the Secretary-Treasurer, Reina Paananen Hart, Dimond Library, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH 03824.

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A REMINDER

Don't forget our fall meeting, which will be held on Saturday, October 28, at the Hartford Public Library, Hartford, Connecticut. Program information and registration forms will appear in the next Newsletter.

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Enclosed with this Newsletter are two forms for you to send back. One is your membership renewal (if you didn't get one, it means that according to our records you are paid through 1978-79). The other is a questionnaire; your answers will help the Executive Board plan the Chapter's activities in accordance with your wishes, so please fill out the questionnaire and return it promptly.

REPORT ON THE SPRING MEETING

1. Our meeting was held on Saturday, April 15, 1978, in the Music Center of Amherst College. Sally Evans, Amherst's music librarian, was our hostess.

2. After we were greeted by Willis Bridegam, Jr., Librarian of the College, the morning session began with a presentation by Terry Harlow of Bookworks, Hartford, Connecticut, a binder specializing in fine hand binding. (A summary of his talk, as well as of those of the afternoon's speakers, may be found in the MLA Newsletter, no. 33, May-June 1978.)

3. The business meeting was called to order by Chairperson Robert Evensen at 10:40 a.m. The date and location of the fall meeting were announced, and reports were heard from the Secretary-Treasurer and from Joe Scott (the latter reporting on the OCLC cataloging workshop held at the University of Connecticut, December 3, 1977). The major part of the meeting was devoted to a discussion of the dues structure and the structure of the Executive Board and Chapter officers. Eventually it was voted that the Chairperson appoint a committee to study the composition of the Board and the manner of electing officers, and recommend changes to the membership, such committee to include at least two current or former members of the Board. The Board was also instructed to consider the question of the Chapter's dues [this matter has been acted upon--see the previous page].

4. After lunch at the Faculty Commons, we heard three programs: David Reck of the Amherst music faculty displayed and talked about a collection of Indian and Indonesian instruments; Robert Parks of Vassar spoke on building a library of ethnomusicological recordings; and Jim Orr of Hertzberg-New Method bindery spoke and showed films on contemporary binding methods.

5. Elections for 1978-79 were then held, and the following new officers were elected: Chairperson, Joseph W. Scott, University of Connecticut; Vice-Chairperson, Philip Youngholm, Connecticut College; Secretary-Treasurer, Reina Paananen Hart, University of New Hampshire; Member-at-Large, Dena M. Janson, Rhode Island College. We then adjourned to the Faculty Club for sherry.

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If anyone picked up a copy of the Directory of Music Libraries and Collections in New England at the Amherst meeting under the (erroneous) impression that it was free of charge, Joe Scott would be happy to receive your check for \$3.00 (non-member's price) or \$2.00 (member's price); his address is U-Box 12, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT 06268.



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